



International Academy Governance Council Special Meeting Minutes

Hosted by Rochester Community Schools

Rochester High School

1361 Walton Blvd., Rochester Hills, MI 48309

September 13, 2023

6:00 PM

DRAFT Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order

A. Call to Order

The International Academy Governance Council meeting was called to order by Dr. Embekka Roberson, Superintendent of Birmingham Public Schools, at 6:01 PM on Wednesday, September 13, 2023.

B. Roll Call

Members Present:

- Birmingham: Dr. Embekka Roberson, Superintendent
- Huron Valley: Dr. Paul Salah, Superintendent
- Rochester: John Silveri, Interim Superintendent
- Troy: Dr. Richard Machesky, Superintendent

- Avondale: James Schwarz, Superintendent (non-voting member)

Members Absent:

- Berkley, Bloomfield, Clawson, Lake Orion, Rochester, Royal Oak, South Lyon, Waterford, West Bloomfield

C. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Dr. Paul Salah and supported by Dr. Rich Machesky that the IA Governance Council approve the June 14, 2023, meeting agenda as presented.

Ayes: Dr. Embekka Roberson, Dr. Paul Salah, John Silveri, and Dr. Richard Machesky

Nays: N/A

Motion Carried 4 - 0

III. Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Dr. Rich Machesky and supported by Dr. Paul Salah that the IA Governance Council approve the June 14, 2023, meeting minutes.

Ayes: Dr. Embekka Roberson, Dr. Paul Salah, John Silveri, and Dr. Richard Machesky

Nays: N/A

Motion Carried 4 - 0

IV. Public Comment (agenda items)

There were no requests for public comment.

V. Principal's Report

Lynne Gibson, Principal, shared a presentation on Opening Day, Tri-Campus updates, and goals. The goals It is based on the current vision and includes more teacher voice. There are four areas of focus: instruction, curriculum, culture, and assessment.

Professional learning on approaches to learning will take place on Sept. 20.

For the first time, IB results included the entire suite. The current IA diploma acquisition rate is 80% acquisition. While this acquisition rate is lower than pre-pandemic levels, it is much higher than many IB programs. Two hundred fifty students earned their full IB diplomas.

There is a global goal focused on good health and well-being. To assist with this goal, the IA will increase connections for 9th and 10th graders.

Other updates:

- The sex advisory board consists of 3 volunteers: 2 East and one central
- Ropes course is now coming out of the Community & Recreation budget: \$11 per student
- OKMA has 565 students, with a drop of freshmen from 157 a year ago to 138. Berkley, Clawson, Waterford, Birmingham, and West Bloomfield did not fill all seats.
- They are exploring offering more than two sciences so students do not consider it a forced choice.

VI. Public Comment (agenda items)

There were no requests for public comment.

VII. Other

The next meeting will be November 8th. Birmingham School District will host the meeting.

VIII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Dr. Embekka Roberson
Birmingham School District Superintendent

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